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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
MASAHIKO KUBOTA ET AL.	: Examiner: M. Brooke \overline{C}) : Group Art Unit: 2853 \overline{C}
Application No.: 09/384,971	Group Art Unit: 2853 0 A CO
Filed: August 30, 1999	NED 1 200 1 AIL F
For: LIQUID DISCHARGE HEAD, LIQUID DISCHARGE METHOD AND LIQUID DISCHARGE) . April 30 2001

The Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 29, 2001, Applicants elect, without traverse, Species I (Examples 1, 4, 7 and 8). Claims 1-5, 9-15 and 19-23 are believed by Applicants to read upon the elected species.

An early and favorable action on the merits is requested.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first-class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on

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